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FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY PRIVATE MEETING JUNE 3 HELD AT SECRETARY'S VILLA. (FULL MEMO CONVERSATION BEING POUCHED).

LLOYD BEGAN BY STATING WESTERN POWERS OBJECTED TO PROPOSALS FOR GUARANTEES PUT FORWARD BY GROMYKO JUNE 1 ON FOLLOWING GROUNDS; (1) SEEMED TO EXTINGUISH ALL ALLIED RIGHTS BERLIN; (2) THIRD STATE WOULD BE ESTABLISHED ON GERMAN SOIL; (3) NOTHING SAID ABOUT EAST BERLIN AND HENCE NO SOLUTION TO BERLIN PROBLEM; (4) SOVIET TROOPS WOULD BE INTRODUCED INTO WEST BERLIN WITH NO CORRESPONDING PROVISION RE EAST BERLIN; (5) GDR WOULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH AGREEMENT BY BEING INCLUDED IN PROPOSED COMMISSION; (6) NO PROVISION FOR FREE POLITICAL LIFE AND ECONOMIC STABILITY WEST BERLIN NOR ACCESS. FREELY EXPRESSED WISHES WEST BERLINERS CONTRAVENED; (7) PROPOSALS CONSTITUTED WRONG APPROACH TO PROBLEM.

COUVE TABLED TEXT CONTAINED CAHTO 64 AND SECRETARY MADE FOLLOW-
UP POINTS:

(1) IN DOCUMENT, WEST HAD MADE ALL THE CONCESSIONS WHEREAS NONE CALLED FOR ON PART SOVIETS, E.G., WE GAVE UP RIGHT WE NOW POSSESSED TO INCREASE FORCES. (2) OUR WORRY WAS THAT SOVIETS WOULD GO BACK ON THEIR WORD; (3) WE ATTACH

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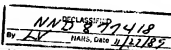
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IMPORTANCE TO REAFFIRMATION OUR RIGHTS BECAUSE QUESTION HAD ARISEN LAST NOVEMBER WHEN SOVIETS CLAIMED WE HAD FOREFITED THEM BY VIOLATIONS POTSDAM, LATER KHRUSHCHEV AND GROMYKO SAID RIGHTS EXISTED AND THEREFORE NATURAL WE SHOULD RAISE QUESTION; (4) DOCUMENT REPRESENTED VERY MAXIMUM TO WHICH WESTERN POWERS COULD GO.

IN TABLING DOCUMENT ON BEHALF WEST, COUVE REFERRED TO 1949 AGREEMENTS RE ACCESS AND SPECIAL AGREEMENTS FOR MILITARY TRAFFIC. ALSO NOTED SOVIETS HAD NOT TRANSFERRED TO GDR IN BOLZ-ZORIN AGREEMENT THEIR FUNCTIONS RE ACCESS.

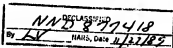
SECRETARY ALSO EMPHASIZED WE COULD NOT HAVE OUR RIGHTS EXTINGUISHED UNILATERALLY UNTIL AGREEMENT REACHED ON REUNIFICATION. FRAMEWORK OF ANY AGREEMENT MUST BE OUR EXISTING RIGHTS.

IN DISCUSSION, IN ADDITION TO FAMILIAR SOVIET OBJECTIONS TO PRESENCE WESTERN GARRISONS AND TO EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT TO EAST AS WELL AS WEST BERLIN, FOLLOWING POINTS EMERGED: (1) GROMYKO APPARENTLY AGREED WITH PARAGRAPH (5) FRENCH PAPER; (2) IN CONTROL OF MILITARY TRAFFIC, SOVIETS ENVISAGED SUBSTITUTING GERMANS FOR RUSSIANS, BUT WOULD GUARANTEE ACCESS RIGHTS OF WESTERN POWERS.

WESTERN MINISTERS UNABLE ELICIT FROM GROMYKO SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION JUST WHAT SOVIETS MEANT BY POINT (2) ABOVE NOR COULD THEY GET CLEAR ANSWER TO QUESTION TO WHOM WESTERN POWERS WOULD GO IF DIFFICULTIES OVER ACCESS AROSE. GROMYKO DID SAY HOWEVER, THAT HE DID NOT ACCEPT THAT GDR WOULD BE AGENTS FOR SOVIETS AND AT END OF CONVERSATION REMARKED THAT SOVIET PROPOSAL ON ACCESS WAS WITHIN FRAMEWORK THEIR BERLIN PROPOSALS.

IN ADDITION TO DISCUSSION ON BERLIN, GROMYKO RAISED AGAIN QUESTION OF PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE OF CZECHS AND POLES, BUT HE QUICKLY

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DROPPED IT, SAYING HE REGRETTED WESTERN ATTITUDE AND INDICATING HE WISHED TO KEEP MATTER OPEN.

GROMYKO ALSO REVERTED TO QUESTION OF ALL-GERMAN COMMITTEE, SAYING IT SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED BY GERMANS THEMSELVES BUT FOUR POWERS COULD RECOMMEND TO GERMANS THIS ACTION BE TAKEN AND COMMITTEE MUST BE CONSTITUTED ON PARITY BASIS -- NOT 25-10. COMMITTEE WOULD DISCUSS FOR ONE YEAR (1) REUNIFICATION GERMANY BE STAGES; (2) PRINCIPLES OF A PEACE TREATY. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION FROM SECRETARY, GROMYKO SAID THAT IF COMMITTEE DISAGREED THERE WOULD BE NO QUESTION OF SUBMITTING TO ELECTIONS.

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